

Opens Today**Top-Notch Cast Will Offer 'Spring For Sure' 3 Days**

An enthusiastic cast of 19, including carefully trained male and female choruses, will be offering three evening performances of the new Carolina Playmaker musical comedy, "Spring For Sure," at 8:30 in Memorial hall on Friday-Sunday of the week.

Dominating the unusually skilled company of actors, dancers, and singers is Virginia Wilson, a young actress and singer from New Bern. Stith is only 20 and of a romantic soprano voice with a freshness of acting style expected to make her performance of the mountain girl, Cindy, one of the highlights of the show.

Singing opposite her, in the role of tall and handsome Jeremiah, is baritone Laurence Stith from New Bern. Stith is only 20 years old, and a freshman here, but has already demonstrated a natural flair for the stage which could carry him to the heights of success. He is an accomplished pianist and organist, and his singing voice has been highly praised by many teachers and critics.

Providing hilarious comic relief for the more serious romance of Cindy and Jeremiah, are Hansford Rowe, Richmond, Va. and Nancy Green, Chapel Hill. Rowe is a graduate student, and has long been thought one of the finest comedians produced by the Playmakers. He is putting only the best of his comic technique into the present part of Professor Percy S. Brown.

Nancy Green is a graduate of the chorus of last season's "Of Thee I Sing," and is rapidly developing into an expert comedi-

enne, a commodity which has been relatively scarce in recent Playmaker productions. Her performance of Comita, a mountain girl who has to fight off the men, could be one of the most memorable portrayals in "Spring For Sure."

The role of Millicent, sophisticated New York socialite who attempts to steal the love of Jeremiah from Cindy, is sung and acted by Elaine Gibson, Lenoir.

Others featured, in the large cast are Lillian Prince, Chapel Hill, as Maw Higgins; Harry Davis, Chapel Hill, as Paw; Frances O'Neal, Chapel Hill, as the haughty New York dowager, Mrs. Van Devere; Anne Edwards, New Bern, as Ivadie; Robert Thomas, Oxford, as Cindy's bungling eldest brother, Zeke; Carl Viperman, Gainesville, Fla., Lynn Gault, Chapel Hill, and Wade Williams, Savannah, Ga., as Cindy's other brothers; Mollie Swain, Oneonta, N. Y., as Mossy Belle; Jean Hillman, Newark, Del., as Luranie; Virginia Young, Chapel Hill, as Pearlmina; Suzanne Davis, Chapel Hill, Geneva; James T. Pritchette, Jr., Lenoir, as Hank, the Hunter; and Bruce Pruitt, Anderson, S. C., as the Airlines Pilot whose plane crashes, unleashing a group of New Yorkers in the mountain wilderness of Tennessee.

Reserved seat tickets for all three performances are on sale now at Swain Hall and Ledbetter-Pickard's. They will also be sold at the Memorial Hall box office after 7 p.m. on performance nights.

Smoking Don't Cause Trouble, House Asserts

Non-smokers are the inventors of the troubles and problems of the world. Chancellor Robert B. House told the members of the Die Pfeifenraucher on Monday night.

However, he added, the situation is complicated by cigarette-smokers, a nervous lot who through their impulsive, helter-skelter way of doing things leave the majority of the straightening out to cigar-smokers, who dabbles in their ultra conservative personal interests shed light on the matter.

The Die Pfeifenraucher (The Carolina Pipe-Smokers Club) had Chancellor House, who is an honorary member, for guest speaker. He discussed with the members his views on many matters of interest to the organization.

"Eventually," House said, "pipe-smokers go to work in their own quiet way to consider things in their true light, calmly, unhurriedly, and sensibly." He placed, however, two groups higher than the placid pipe-smokers, who, according to him, do nine-tenths of all the work. The two groups are the chewers and the dippers.

He quoted an old mountaineer who was once asked if he thought it was a sin to smoke. After thinking it over, the old man said, "Well, I reckon it might be wrong to burn up anything that is so good to chew."

The Chancellor then gave tips on how to get the most out of pipe-smoking.

State Eugenic Program Used Effectively

North Carolina has a sound, progressive program of eugenics sterilization, Dr. W. P. Richardson, professor of public health administration here, and president of the North Carolina Health Council, told the Current Topics Club of Rocky Mount in an address at its meeting this week.

"Although the use of the program is seriously inadequate, we are making more effective use of it each year," Dr. Richardson said.

He stressed the view that "there is need for a greatly increased understanding and support if the program is to make its full contribution to the health and well being of our state."

He said that, to render the program more effective, "two outstanding needs are education of the public and of public officials to the end that more adequate funds may be made available for this program and education of the public, the medical profession, and of patients and their families as to the simplicity of the procedure and its harmlessness so far as sex life is concerned."

Dr. Richardson said that since 1929 there have been more than 2,500 operations performed on authorization of the State Eugenic Board. Two-thirds of these, he said, were for feeble-mindedness, a fourth were for mental disease, and the balance for epilepsy. Eighty-seven per cent were females and 20 per cent males. Seventy-seven per cent were white and 23 per cent Negro.

Merchants Review '51; Best Year

The Chapel Hill - Carrboro Merchants Association and Chamber of Commerce had one of the best years in its history in number and variety of activities and ranked second in the State in the addition of new members.

This impressive report of the year's activities was presented Monday night at the Association's annual business meeting, a dinner session at the Chapel Hill Country Club, by Jack Lipman, retiring president, and Mrs. Mildred Cartee, secretary.

George Colclough, manager of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce was the principal speaker. Mr. Colclough, who is also the president of the Southeastern Institute of Chamber of Commerce Secretaries and District Governor of the Rotary International, emphasized that there are two pitfalls merchants should try to avoid: expanding too rapidly and pessimism regarding the future.

"Be sure you make a legitimate profit when you sell," he said, "and don't worry about the possibility of changing economic or political trends. As one distinguished man has said, the greatest thing to fear is fear."

Miss Elizabeth Branson, the first woman ever to hold the office was installed as president. Other officers are Herbert Wentworth, vice-president; Mrs. Cartee, secretary; Wilbur Kutz, state representative; and L. J. Phipps, attorney.

Doctor, Mother Of Forty Adopted Siamese Children Visiting Here

by Mary Grace Megginson

Most folks consider the adoption of a half dozen or more children quite unusual, but a visitor at the University this week has topped that considerably. She is the adopted mother of some 40 Siamese children!

Dr. Pierra Hoon Vejjabul of Bangkok, Thailand (Siam), internationally known for the fight she has waged against venereal disease and prostitution in the Orient who is conferring with officials of the University's School of Public Health, legally adopted the motherless children, many of whom were left on her doorstep.

Her concern for the many motherless waifs of Thailand resulted in the establishment of a children's home and a maternity and child welfare clinic and hospital by Dr. Vejjabul. Vejjabul, which

means "complete doctor," is the name conferred upon her by Premier Pibul Songgram when her parents objected to passing on the proud Hoon family name to the growing brood of orphans who fill her home.

Dr. Vejjabul began adopting her children about 13 years ago and she says she hopes to live long enough to adopt at least 200 more!

The diminutive Dr. Vejjabul, first of her sex to be admitted to the practice of medicine in her country, was selected by the State Department for a four-month grant under the Exchange of Persons program to confer with lead-

ing medical authorities in various American cities. On her tour Dr. Vejjabul is studying American methods of venereal disease control.

She hopes to learn enough to invoke modern methods to hasten the conquest of venereal disease in Thailand and also abolish legalized house of prostitution there.

Dr. Vejjabul is also visiting Lumberton, Charlotte and Greensboro while she is in North Carolina.

In addition to heading the clinic and children's home, Dr. Vejjabul carries on a private practice and is president of Thailand's Medical Women's Association.

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